

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the present Office Action, Claims 1-4, 6, 8-21, 23 and 25-29 stand rejected as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,481,588 to Rickli, U.S. Patent No. 6,336,035 to Somoza and U.S. Patent No. 5,805,996 to Salmela. The Office Action also indicates that Claims 5 and 22 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form.

In the present response, the Applicants have amended independent Claim 1 to include the linger duration feature from dependent Claim 5 and the route data features from intervening claims 2 and 4. Similarly, independent Claim 11 has been amended to include the linger duration feature from dependent Claim 15 and route data features from intervening claims 12 and 14. Independent Claim 18 has been amended to include the linger duration feature from dependent Claim 22 and route data features from intervening claims 19 and 21. Finally, independent claim 22 has been amended to include a linger duration feature and to further clarify the route data feature. The Applicants respectfully submit that the amended independent claims are patentable in view of comments made in the Office Action regarding the patentability of Claims 5 and 22. As such, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the associated rejections.

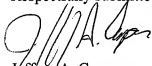
The patentability of the independent claim has been argued as set forth above and thus the Applicants will not take this opportunity to argue the merits of the rejection with regard to the dependent claims. However, the Applicants do not concede that the dependent claims are not independently patentable and reserve the right to argue the patentability of the dependent claims at a later date if necessary.

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The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action mailed on November 16, 2009. The Applicants respectfully submit, in light of the foregoing remarks, that the present application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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